Tobacco Control in the 21st Century

Sustaining Successes Achieving New Ones

Changing the Environment, SeaTac, WA
March 24, 2004

WHY DO WE FIGHT SO HARD?

Tobacco kills more than 400,000 Americans each year

 22.9% of high school students and 22.8% of adults are current smokers

One in 5 women still smoke

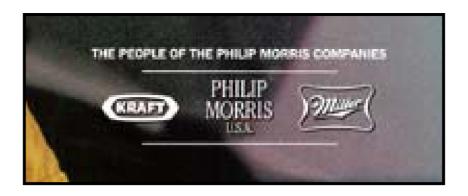
 32.7% of American Indians/Alaska Natives smoke Tobacco kills Americans in the prime of life;
 28% of Americans who die between the ages of 35 and 69 die from tobacco-related diseases

 Nearly 90% of lung cancer cases, 1/3 of total cancer deaths, and 1 in 5 deaths from heart disease are tobacco related

Tobacco costs more than \$75 billion in annual health care costs

 Tobacco use costs more than \$82 billion in lost productivity each year

WE ARE FIGHTING ONE OF THE MOST POWERFUL INDUSTRIES IN THE WORLD



An Industry That Claims It Has Changed...







Tobacco Executives Swear To Tell Congress the Truth, 1994



No matter how often a snake sheds its skin... It's still a snake.

Altria is Philip Morris.

hy is Philip Morris changing its name?

After decades of marketing to kids, deceiving the public and manipulating its products, Philip Morris now wants to hide from its past. But it can't hide this: More kids still smoke 'Altria's' Marlboros than all other brands combined. 2,000 kids still get hooked on tobacco every day. 1 in 3 will die prematurely. Philip Morris may be changing its name, but it's not changing its ways.

CAMPAIGN FORTOBACO-FREE Kids



New Name, Same Deadly Habits, www.PhilipMorrisCantHide.org

THE TRUTH

Still Marketing to Kids

Still Opposing Real Policy Change

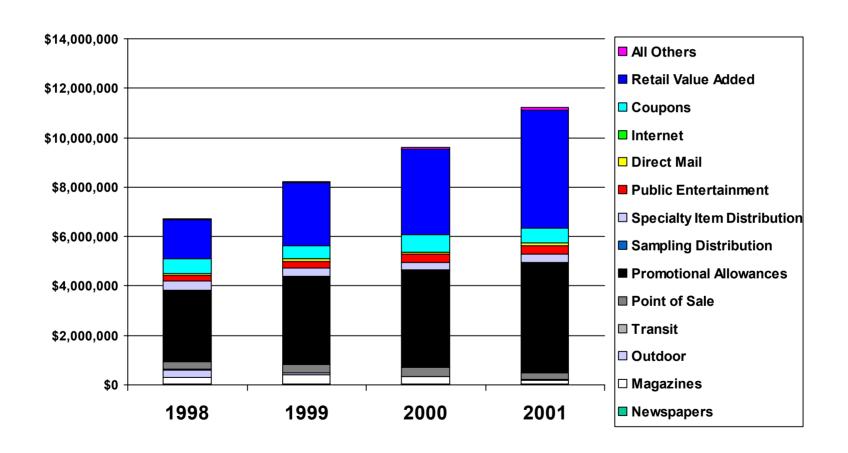
 Still Attacking Real Tobacco Control Programs and Promoting Phony Ones

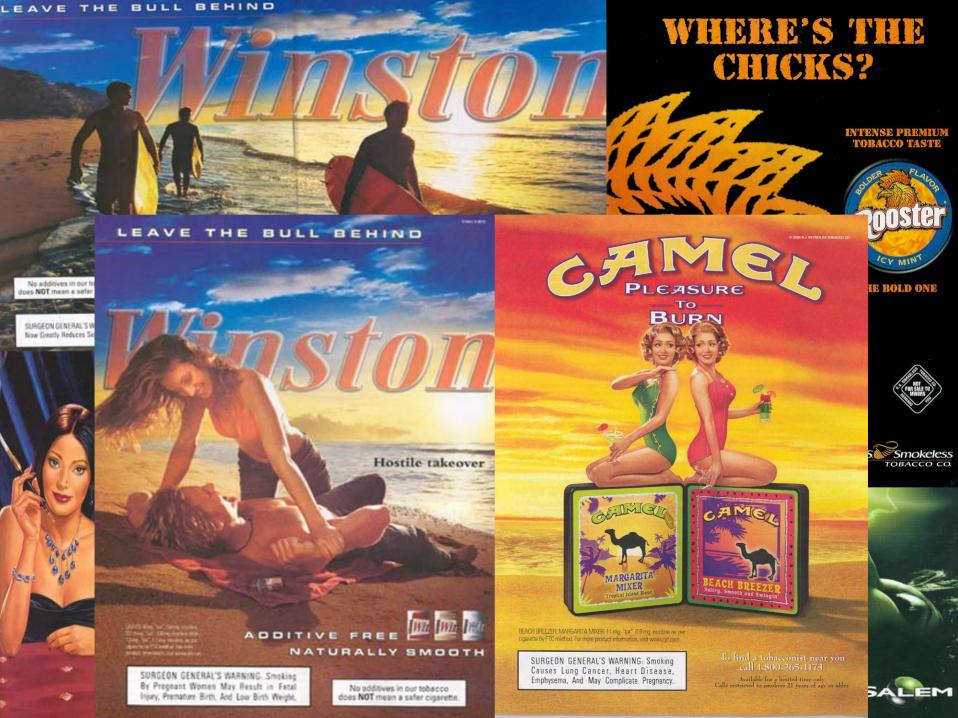
 Still Lying About Their Products and Introducing New Ones

STILL MARKETING TO KIDS

Domestic Cigarette Advertising and Promotional Expenditures 1998 - 2001

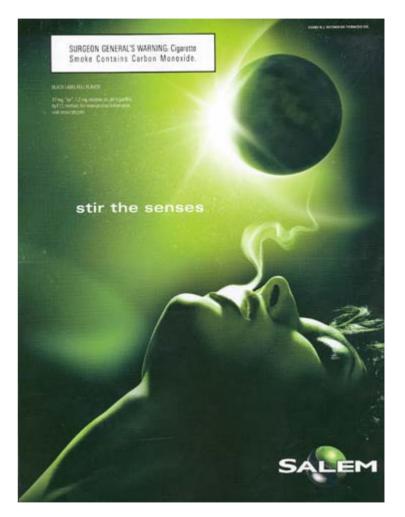
(thousands of dollars)





Sports Illustrated -- April 7, 2003





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Back Cover

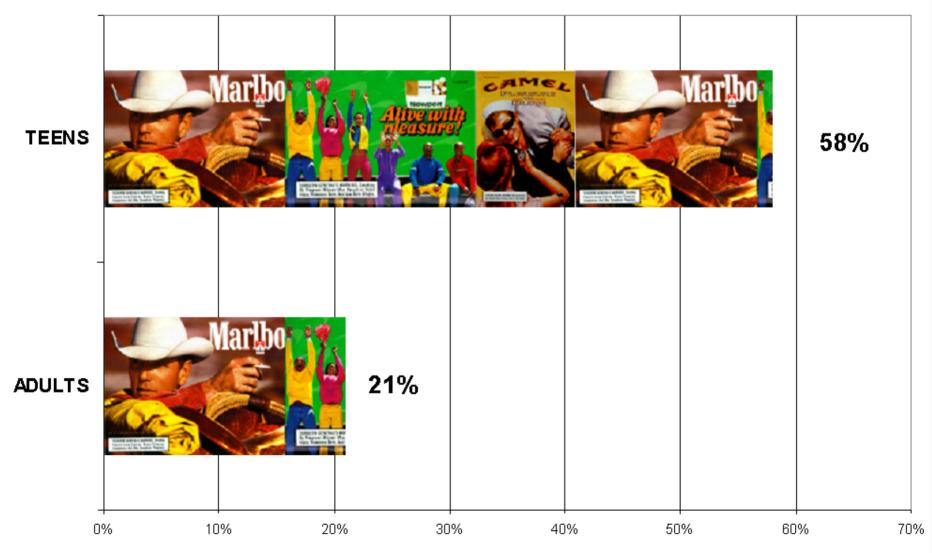
18% Youth Readership -- 3 Million Youth Readers

A DRAMATIC INCREASE FOCUSED ON IN STORE MARKETING

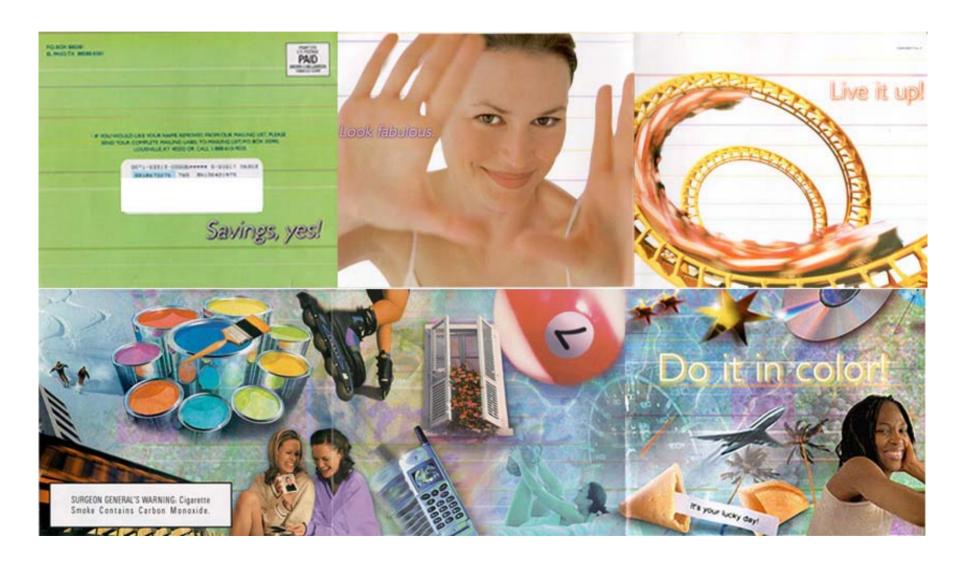
- In 2001 the tobacco industry spent \$4.45
 BILLION on Promotional Allowances in stores to gain prominent, highly visible placement up over \$1.5 billion since the State Settlement more than double the amount spent in 1995.
- In 2001 the tobacco industry spent \$4.76
 BILLION on Retail Value Added (Buy One Get One Free; Gift with Purchase) nearly five times the amount spent in 1997.



Have you seen any advertising for cigarettes or spit tobacco in the last two weeks? ("Yes" responses)



Direct Mail Advertising to Women & Girls



STILL ATTACKING REAL TOBACCO PREVENTION PROGAMS AND PROMOTING PHONY ONES

The Truth

Attacking Real Program; Promoting Phony Ones

- Suing the California Program
- Promoting Securitization/Opposing Tobacco Prevention
- Suing the American Legacy Foundation
- Threatening Florida and Utah Programs
- Running Phony Prevention Campaigns (e.g. Think; Don't Smoke)

The Truth

Industry's "Youth Prevention" Campaigns:

- Send an inconsistent and ineffective message
- Source is not credible
- Offer no reasons not to smoke
- Position smoking as an adult habit -- makes it actually more appealing to kids
- Legacy and Florida data show them ineffective at best; harmful at worst

Industry Programs -- The Real Goal In Their Own Words

"...the ultimate means for determining the success of this [youth prevention] program will be: 1) a reduction in legislation introduced and passed restricting or banning our sales and marketing activities..."

-- 1991 Tobacco Institute Memo

STILL OPPOSING REAL POLICY CHANGE

From Philip Morris Presentation Est. 1995

Introduction



Threats to our business

Excise tax



- Advertising restrictions
- Smoking restrictions





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The Truth Still Actively Opposing Real Policy Change

- Killed FDA Rule in U.S. Supreme Court
- Promote Bad FDA Regulation
- Oppose Local Smokefree Ordinances
- Oppose Excise Tax Initiatives
- Killed MA Ad Limits (Schools, etc.)
- Trying to Kill DOJ Lawsuit

WHEN NYC RAISED CIGARETTE TAXES, WHO KNEW THE REAL WINNERS WOULD BE...



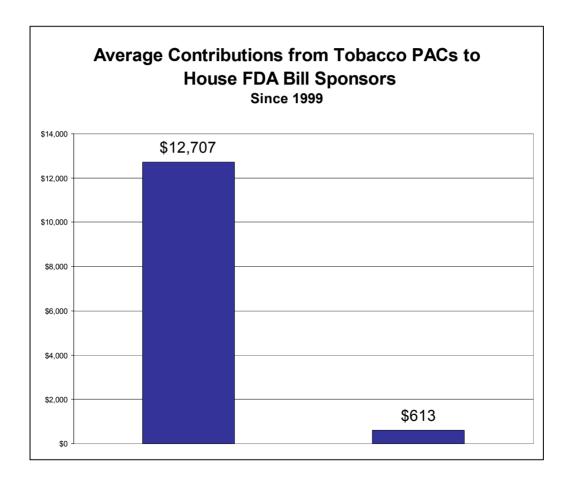
The mob, smugglers, and other street criminals are making a fortune selling illegal cigarettes while legitimate small businesses are forced to cut jobs. The Wall Street Journal has reported that cigarette trafficking is exploding in NYC as consumers rebel against exorbitant taxes. In fact, the police recently selsed 97,000 packs of counterfelt cigarettes with a street value of \$727,000. But this burgeoning black market is still taking a toll on New York's economy and budget. A new report by The Small Besiness Survival Committee estimates that 10,000 New Yorkers will lose their jobs and that state revenue could fall by as much as \$217 million, proving what the politicians should have already known:

HIGHER CIGARETTE TAXES ENCOURAGE ORGANIZED CRIME.

62003 Lorillard Tobacco Company

STILL BUYING POLITICIANS

Contributions to FDA Co-Sponsors



Industry FDA Bill H.R. 2180 (Davis)

Public Health Bill H.R. 1097 -- GDW

STILL LYING ABOUT THEIR PRODUCTS AND INTRODUCING NEW ONES

SPECIAL REPORT

New Products Old Tricks

New "Reduced Risk" Products
Being Marketed to Smokers
as Healthier Alternatives



The Truth New Products, Same Old Deception

- Tobacco companies introducing many socalled "reduced risk" products
- Making health claims
- No government agency has the authority to verify tobacco companies health claims
- No evidence that there is reduced risk

What Tobacco Was Doing

- "Research staff should lay down guide lines against which alternative products can be chosen in everyday operations. Although there may, on occasions, be conflict between saleability and minimal biological activity, two types of products should be clearly distinguished, viz:
 - a) Health-image (health reassurance) cigarette.
 - b) A Health-oriented (minimal biological activity) cigarette, to be kept on the market for those consumers choosing it." S.J. Green 1968





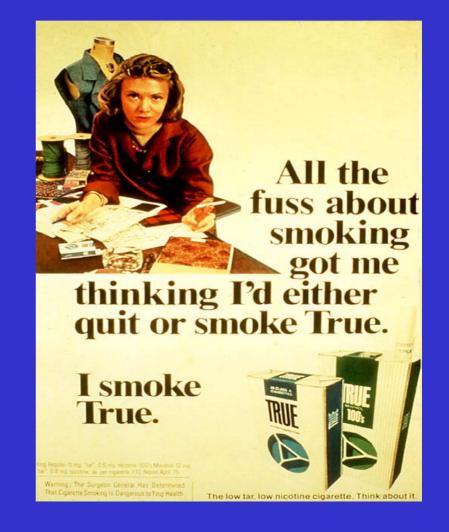
Lights Intended to Divert Quitters

Low tar cigarettes— "Provide smokers with a choice and a reason not to quit."

Brown & Williamson (1979)

"The intent and effect...[of] ...
low tar cigarettes...was to
derogate from the warning
or awareness of the health
hazard and to reassure the
smoker in his decision to
continue smoking."

Jones, Day, et al. (late 1980s), Tobacco Industry Legal Council



National Cancer Institute Reveals Low-Tar Lie November, 2001

- Study found "light" and "low-tar" cigarettes no less harmful than other brands
- Tobacco industry deliberately marketed low-tar cigarettes to prevent smokers from quitting
- Tobacco companies deliberately developed lowtar products which tested safer by machines but were just as dangerous when actually smoked

Miles v. Philip Morris Quotes from March 21, 2003 Verdict

- "The evidence at trial demonstrates not only that Marlboro Lights and Cambridge Lights are just as harmful as their regular counterparts, but that these products are actually more harmful and more hazardous than their regular counterparts. The Court finds that Philip Morris was aware of the increased harm from these Light cigarettes based upon their own scientific testing."
- "....the course of conduct by Philip Morris related to its fraud in this case is outrageous, both because Philip Morris' motive was evil and the acts showed a reckless disregard for the consumers' rights."

What Big Tobacco Knew About Smokers

"Given a cigarette that delivers less nicotine than he desires, the smoker will subconsciously adjust his puff volume and frequency, and smoking frequency, so as to obtain and maintain his per hour and per day requirement for nicotine....." C. Teague (1972)

What Big Tobacco Knew About Low Tar Cigarettes

"In most cases however, the smoker of a filter cigarette was getting as much or more nicotine and tar as he would have gotten from a regular cigarette. He abandoned the regular cigarette, however, on the ground of reduced risk to health." (E. Pepples 1976).



Reduced carcinogens. Premium taste

"[It] will not kill them as quick or as much as other brands,"

Bennett LeBow, CEO, Vector, Manufacturer of new Omni cigarettes.

-- USA Today 1/11/02







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INTERNET ADDRESS

February 5, 2002

The Honorable Donald S. Clark Secretary Federal Trade Commission 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20580

Re: Request for Advisory Opinion

Dear Secretary Clark:

U.S. Smokeless Tobacco Company ("USSTC"), a subsidiary of UST Inc. ("UST"), requests that the Commission, pursuant to section 1.1 of its Rules of Practice, issue an advisory opinion regarding the acceptability of communicating in advertising that smokeless tobacco products are considered to be a significantly reduced risk alternative as compared to cigarette smoking. Such action by the Commission would address an issue of significant public interest to adult tobacco consumers, USSTC, and other smokeless tobacco manufacturers.

For decades, the public health community in the United States has asserted that cigarette smoking is the most deadly epidemic of modern times. For almost as long, the message of the public health community to cigarette smokers has been monolithic: stop all use of tobacco.

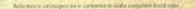


"...it is USSTC's position that smokeless tobacco has not been shown to be a cause of any human disease."

Ariva Cigaletts (Star)



Omni (Vector)



WARNING: Smoking is addictive and dangerous to your health. Heductions in carcinogers (PAHs, nitrosamines, and catechols) have NOT been proven to result in a safer cigarette. This product produces tax, carbon monoxide, and other harmful by-products.

The fact is, there are over 140 brands of cigarettes.

Now, only 1 can offer smokers a very real choice.



Introducing Omni from Vector Tobacco.

The first premium cigarette created to significantly reduce carcinogenic PAHs, nitrosumines, and catechols, which are the major causes of lung cancer in smokers.

Omni. Just the beginning of changing the way people think about tobacco.



For information on how to order Omni, call 1.877.415.4100



Offer and website restricted to smokers 21+

Eclipse is not perfect. For instance, we do not claim that Eclipse presents smakers with less risk of cardiovascular disease or complications with pregnancy. As everyone knows, all cigarettes present some health risk, including Eclipse.

BOX, MENTHOL BOX: 4 mg. "tar", 0.1 mg. nicotine av. per cigarette by FTC method, as modified by RJRT to accommodate the unique design of Eclipse. For more product information, visit www.rjrt.com.

But Where's the Harm?

- Absent regulation, no way whatsoever to know if actually less harmful or to what degree
- Claims mislead consumers
- Keep people from quitting who otherwise would --lights and low tars all over again
- Enable maintenance of addiction -undermine impact of smokefree ordinances
- Attract new smokers who now see it as less harmful

And There Is One More Truth....

The Truth

PR to Avoid Change

In 2000, Philip Morris spent more than \$150 million on ads to publicize \$115 million in philanthropy

Source: ABC News - February 8, 2001

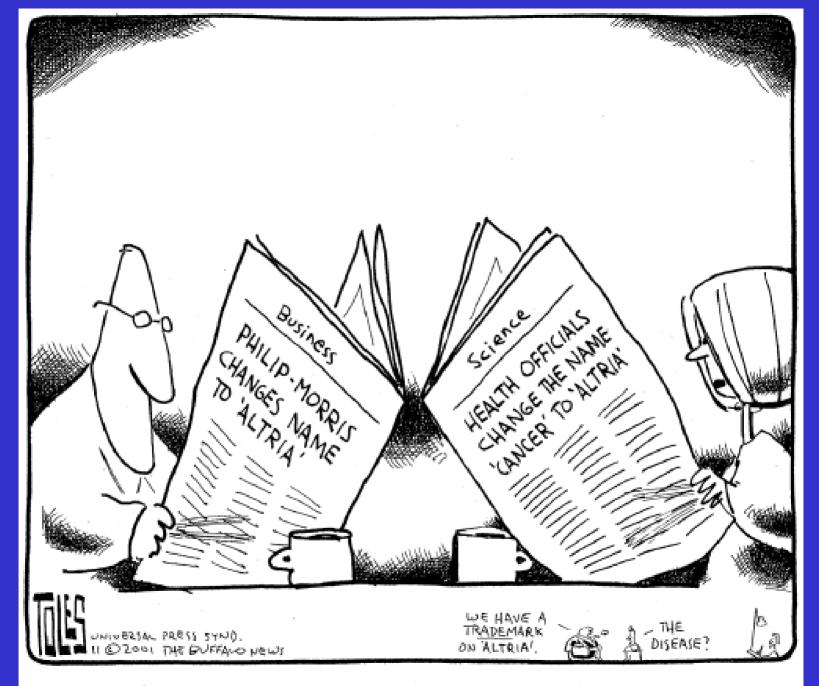
The Truth



Why change names?

2) Brand Everything With a Corporate Name/Name Change (I.E. PM Kraft)

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Rationale: Cc masking the negatives sion the po associated with the sages to br tobacco business.
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WE HAVE PROVEN STRATEGIES AND MUST USE THEM

Tobacco Excise Tax Increases

- A 10% increase in the excise tax will result in:
 - Nearly 7% decline in youth prevalence
 - 2% decline in adult prevalence
 - -4% decline in overall consumption

Taxes are most effective with kids, lower SES populations and pregnant women

Tobacco Excise Tax Increases

WA was a leader with I-773 campaign - passed excise tax in January, 2002

Since that time.....

31 more states, DC, Puerto Rico, and Guam have implemented or passed tax increases

15 states with excise taxes \$1 or higher;
 State average is now 73.5 cents

Clean Indoor Air Laws

Protect everyone from secondhand smoke

Prompt more smokers to try to quit

Increase the number of successful quit attempts

Discourage young adults from starting

Clean Indoor Air Laws

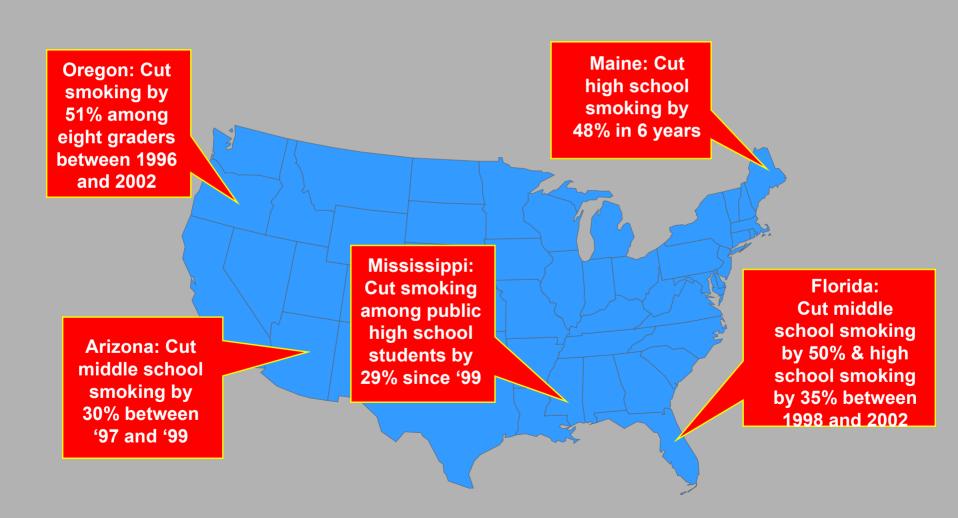
 The percentage of the population covered under Clean Indoor Air laws more than doubled in past 18 months: Nearly 30% of US population now covered.

 New laws in Delaware, New York State, Maine, Connecticut, Florida, Idaho, Boston, El Paso, and Dallas

Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Programs

- Reduce youth smoking
- Help adults quit
- Reduce tobacco-related morbidity and mortality
- Reduce smoking-caused health costs

Comprehensive Programs Work Reduce Smoking



Health Insurance Coverage for Cessation Services

- It's a smart investment all insurance products should include coverage for cessation treatment
- Medicaid coverage important 36% of Medicaid recipients smoke and 15-20% of Medicaid expenditures are spent on smoking-related illnesses; WA only covers counseling for pregnant women on Medicaid
- WA Basic Health Plan
- Need to reach out to the private employers

FDA REGULATION

Tobacco products held to regulatory standards comparable to those for other consumable products

- Restrict advertising and other marketing that appeals to kids
- Crack down on illegal sales of tobacco products to children
- Require disclosure of the ingredients and additives in tobacco products
- Require changes in tobacco products to reduce harm such as the elimination or reduction of harmful additives when technologically feasible
- Require more visible and more informative warning labels
- Prohibit or restrict harmful or deceptive health claims, such as "light" and "low-tar" which have been proven to have no reduced health risks
- Allow FDA to look at public health impact of advertising claims

Other Products That Contain Nicotine Are Subject To FDA Regulation

- Rigorous review for safety and efficacy
- Rigorous marketing standards







FDA-Approved NRT

Not FDA-Approved



CVS, Washington, DC, Spring 2002

WE MUST SUSTAIN OUR SUCCESSES AND ACHIEVE NEW ONES

- More states are funding tobacco prevention programs than ever before:
 - 10 Years ago 1 state had a comprehensive tobacco program
 - 6 years ago 3 states had comprehensive tobacco control programs;
 - 2 years ago, **19 states** spent more than 50% of the minimum recommended by the CDC.
- 20 states increased funding for tobacco prevention in FY2003

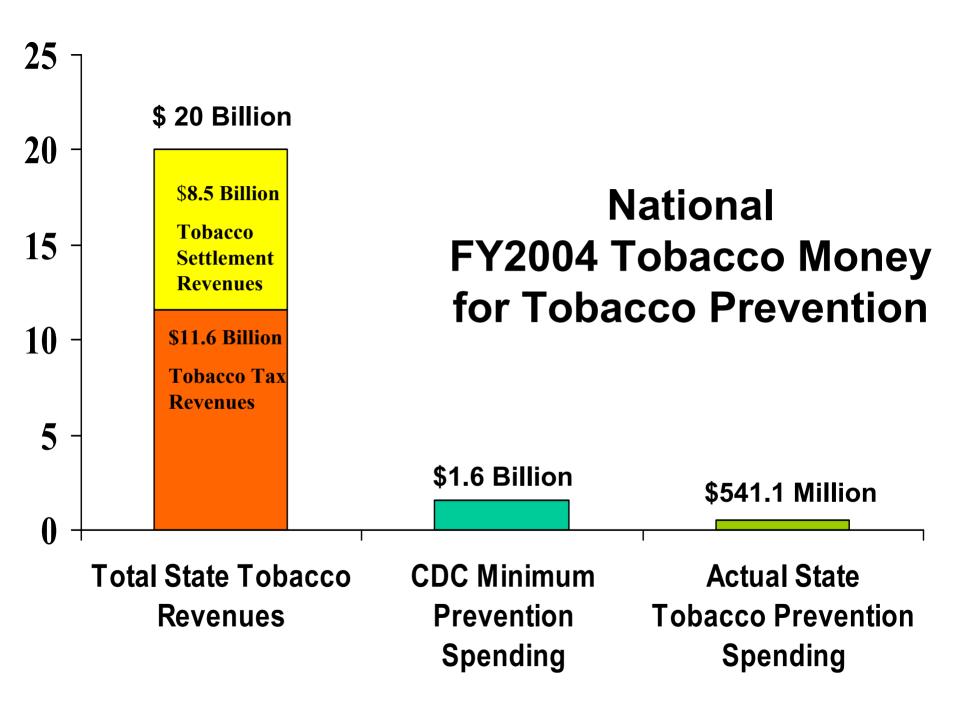
UNDER ATTACK

- 15 states cut almost \$200 million from tobacco prevention in FY '03 including our model programs:
 - -MA: From \$48 million to \$4.8
 - -OR: From \$11.1 million to \$0
 - -CA: From \$134.5 million to \$88 million
 - -AZ: From \$36.6 million to \$18.3 million

UNDER ATTACK

Deep cuts continue in '04

	FY2003	FY2004
Colorado	\$15	\$3.8
Indiana	\$32.5	\$10.8
Maryland	\$30	\$18
Massachusetts	\$4.8	\$2.14
Florida	\$37.0	\$1.0
Nebraska	\$7.0	\$405K
Vermont	\$5.2	\$4.5
New Jersey	\$30	\$10



More states are considering tax increases than ever before:

Virginia 35 cents

Michigan 50 cents

Rhode Island 75 cents

Mississippi 50 cents

Alaska \$1

Kentucky 26 cents

New Jersey 45 cents

Iowa 60 cents

Oklahoma 52 cents

More states are considering strong smoke-free workplace laws than ever before:

Massachusetts

Rhode Island

Georgia

Nevada

Minnesota

Washington, D.C.

Good FDA bills have been introduced in both houses of Congress

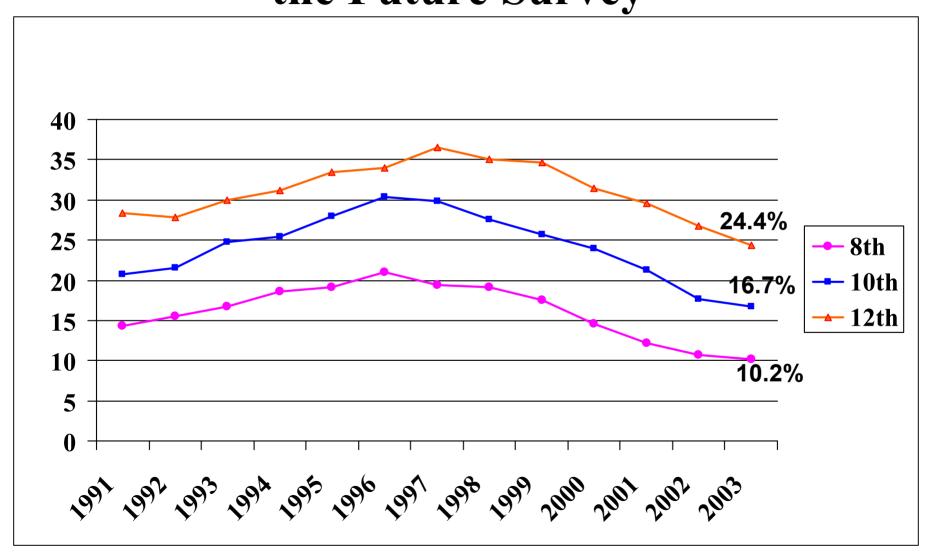
Optimism for Internet Legislation

A strong FCTC

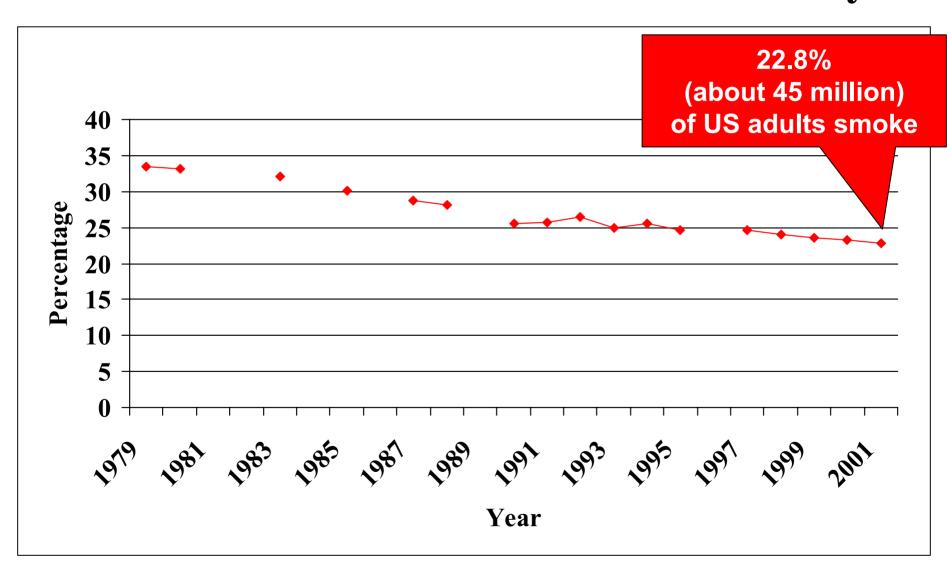
DOJ, Miles, etc. keep pressure on

 A grassroots movement is building as more and more people work in tobacco control than ever

Current Smoking Among 8th, 10th, and 12th Graders, 1991-2002 -- Monitoring the Future Survey



Current Smoking Among Adults, 1978- 2001 National Health Interview Survey



CAN WASHINGTON SUSTAIN ITS SUCCESSES AND ACHIEVE NEW ONES?

THE REAL PROBLEM

Not an evidence problem

Not really a revenue problem

It's a political problem

Achieving Success With Prevention and Cessation

- Must maintain current funding for tobacco prevention and control and increase it
- Constantly educate local and tribal communities about your work and its results
- Constantly educate elected officials about your work and its results
- Make sure the media understand your goals, activities, and accomplishments
- Must regularly meet with advocates so they can help tell your story

Achieving Success With Clean Indoor Air

- Fend off bad legislation -Congratulations!
- Mobilize grassroots like never before
- Work with strong legislative champions of CIA
- Strategic patience
- The question is When, not If

Our Policies and Programs Are Proven to Work

We Must Translate Them into ACTION